IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

Claim 1-16 (canceled).

17. (new) A level comprising a level body produced by injection molding a thermoplastic material, said body having at least one recess for constructed and arranged for receiving a position sensor, and a reinforcing insert which is overmolded at least in areas with thermoplastic material, is made of fiber-reinforced plastic and is materially connected with the level body at least in some areas.

18. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein the reinforcing insert is made of a carbon fiber or glass fiber reinforced plastic, which extend as a unit across substantially the entire length of the reinforcing insert.

19. (new) A level according to claim 18, wherein the reinforcing insert extends along a longitudinal axis of the level body and across a substantially entire length thereof, and along at least one of an upper and a lower longitudinal edge area, which is defined on an exterior side by a measurement base of the level body.

20. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein the level body is made of a fiber-reinforced plastic, the plastic of the level body matching the plastic of the reinforcing insert.

21. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein first and second reinforcing inserts or sections of a single reinforcing insert extend in a longitudinal axis direction of the level body, when viewed in front of and behind the recess starting in an area opposite the measurement base.

22. (new) A level according to claim 21, wherein third and fourth reinforcing inserts extend above and/or below and on both sides of the recess in the level body.

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23. (new) A level according to claim 22, wherein at least one of the first and second reinforcing inserts is connected to at least one of the third and fourth reinforcing inserts.

24. (new) A level according to claim 22, wherein the third and/or fourth reinforcing inserts, which extend along the sides of the recess, overlap at least in sections the first and/or second reinforcing inserts in the longitudinal axis direction of the level body.

25. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein the reinforcing insert has two first sections extending in a longitudinal axis direction and along each side of the recess, which sections are connected to second sections extending in a transverse manner thereto.

26. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein the level body has an I-profile geometry, with upper and lower flanges and a rib connecting the flanges, said reinforcing insert extending in at least one flange.

27. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein a first reinforcing insert is molded in the level body in a longitudinal direction of the level body when viewed in front of and behind the recess for the position sensor starting from an exterior area of a narrow side of the level body opposite the measurement base, and the first reinforcing insert is connected to at least a second reinforcing insert extending to a side of the recess and/or below the recess.

28. (new) A level according to claim 27, wherein the second reinforcing insert extends beneath the position sensor positioned in an offset manner in a direction of the exterior area and placed in the recess.

29. (new) A level according to claim 17, wherein the reinforcing insert has a modules of elasticity with E >> 80 GPa.

30. (new) A level according to claim 26, wherein the rib

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connecting the flanges has a wave-shaped geometry in a cut view along the flanges.

31. (currently amended) A level according to claim 27, wherein the reinforcing insert and the level body comprise polyamide.

32. (new) A level according to claim 27, wherein the level is constructed in a symmetrical manner with regard to the reinforcing inserts.

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